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Re: L0998160003 -- LaSalle County  
LaSalle/Carus Chemical Company  
Superfund/Technical Reports

Dear Ms. Weeks,

Per our conversation on the 13th, I've enclosed information concerning data useability, USEPA Contract Laboratory Program (CLP) labs, and Community Relations Plan (CRP). Although the IEPA Pre-Notice Program does not require USEPA CLP data or a CRP, these two changes in the Scope of Work would be consistent with the National Contingency Plan (NCP) and may help gain USEPA approval of the investigation and cleanup, in light of the potential NPL listing of the entire zinc operation.

Enclosed you will find a Copy of USEPA guidance on data usability for Risk Assessment and also guidance on data usability from USEPA for CERCLA HRS scoring purposes (to place a site on the NPL). The latter guidance specifically notes how bias should be used.

As for USEPA Contract Laboratory Program (CLP) labs, the following list was faxed to me from Jim Shaw which I have faxed to you, these labs provide Routine Analytical Services (RAS) for USEPA as of 6 months ago. Mr. Shaw said that our 3 (Illinois EPA) CLP labs may only do Special Analytical Services (SAS) for USEPA. However, the Illinois CLP labs may be able to follow the USEPA CLP procedures for RAS when the data is validated by an outside source.

CRP guidance is obtained in EPA/540/R-92/009 January 1992 Community Relations in Superfund: A Handbook. I've copied a portion of a table from this document to give you an idea as to what is involved in this process. By replacing "the Agency" with "the responsible party", the table would suffice (where applicable). The IEPA can conduct community relations activities for Carus Chemical based on an agreement that Carus will reimburse the IEPA for the cost of such services.

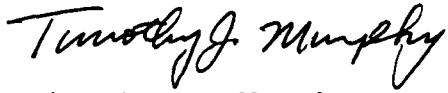
The Response to IEPA Comments on the Proposed Phase II plan have been received and are acceptable at this time. Please update the

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Agency as decisions are made on the lab and CRP.

Please call if you have any questions.

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